

Tenders

CONSULAT DE FRANCE.—TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Ordonnateur, at Noumea, New Caledonia, up to 3 p.m. on the 20th January, 1881, from persons willing to supply the French Government with—500,000 kilograms of quality wheaten flour, 1,000,000 kilograms household wheaten flour. Full particulars may be obtained by applying at the French Consulate daily (Saturdays excepted), between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. 1.—Sydney, December 18, 1880.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF DUBBO
 sealed TENDERS are invited until 7 p.m. on the 4th January,
 1911, for the erection of a TOWN HALL, materials and labour,
 drawings and specifications may be seen at the Council-cham-
 ber on and after the 28th instant.
JOHN USHER, Council Clerk.
TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

orders required for the Supply of the undermentioned, in
months from 2nd January, 1881:

Ship's provisions, wines and spirits
Butchers' meat
Bread, at per pound
Vegetables.

specification to be seen at office.

W. HOWARD SMITH and SONS.

ENDERS will be received up to the 10th of January, 1881, for
Erection of two semi-detached Vill a, at the corner of Hom-
street and Upper William-street, as follows:—
1st.—Masonry, brick work, &c.
2nd.—Carpenters' labour &c.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of
THOMAS ROWE, Architect.
B U I L D E R S
TENDERS will be received up to the 8th of January, 1881, for
Erection of a Cottage at Petersham, as follows:—
1st—Masonry, brickwork, &c.

2nd—Carpenters, joiners, and finishing trades
3rd—The whole in one sum.
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of
THOMAS ROWE, Architect,
Vickers's-chambers, Pitt-street.
B U I L D E R S
TENDERS are hereby invited for the Erection of a Theatre

Plans, Specifications, &c., at corner of Bathurst and Pitt streets, for
H. Reynolds, Esq. Plans and specification to be seen at my
office. Tenders to be delivered on the 4th January,
the lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
BENJAMIN BACKHOUSE, Architect,
December 21. 263, George-street.

W. W. WARDELL, C.E., Architect,
Bell's-chambers, 129, Pitt-street.

TENDERS will be received till 6th January, for constructing 40 miners' Skips, labour only. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Specification at Royal Hotel, George-street. Tenders must be addressed to Directors of Berrima Coal-Mining and Railway Co. (Limited), as Valc, and endorsed "Tender for Skips."

J. J. O. ATKINSON.

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TENDERS are invited up to **FRIDAY, the 7th January**,
for Repairs to Wharf and additions to store at Lawrence
rence Liver, the property of the Hon. E. D. Ogilvie. Specifi-
cations, &c., can be seen at the office of the undersigned, to whom
draws are to be sent.
The lowest tender need not necessarily be accepted.

HENRY MAUBICE, Prince-street, Grafton.
TENDERS required, for Foundations of a House at
Petersham. Apply No. 2, Broughton-street, Lyndhurst.
NO BUILDERS.—TENDERS invited until SATUR-
DAY, 8th January, for Erection of Extensive three-storied
WAREHOUSE and SHED in George-street. Plans, specification,
and full particulars at my office, 141, Pitt-street, opposite City

FERDINAND REUSS, Jun., Architect.
NO BUILDERS.—TENDERS will be received until
 December 30 for the Erection of an Anglican Church, at
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 Plans and particulars may be obtained at the office of Mr.
 BEET BOND, Architect, Bell's-chambers, Pitt-street.
NO MASONS and BRICKLAYERS.—TENDERS

TENDERS wanted for the **PLUMBING** of three brick Cottages at Waterloo. Apply 1, Hawthorne-terrace, Cowes-street, Globe, after six p.m.

TENDERS for **PLUMBER'S WORK** to cottage: also plasterer's work. A. Osborne, Elizabeth-street, Camperdown.

TENDERS for Erection of Weatherboard Residence.
Plans and specifications, 12, Darghan-terrace, Lyndhurst.

Furniture &c.

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O'Connell-street.
The undersigned invite the attention of parties furnishing

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George-street, opposite Royal Hotel, Sole Retail Agent, where
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S. HERNLEWHITE, 416, George-street, Sydney.
BILLIARD-TABLE, Lamp, Mating, 870, Alcock's,
10 x 4 ft. s. 225. Butterworth, 112, Elizabeth-street.

CONTINENTAL GOSSIP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT "STELLA.")

PARIS, OCT. 15.

The stepchildren of Royal Imperial, and aristocratic visitors are going on; Paris never had a greater number of grandiose visitors than at present. Some of these "distinguished" visitors have only taken this metropolis on their way home from their summer sojourns, others have come for a short period of enjoyment, others, again, to lay in a stock of money for the coming winter.

The new "fashions" will, it appears, be remarkable for their costliness. One of the new inventions that is being delightedly taken up by ladies who "do not know what to do with their money" is a new-fangled lace made of gold or silver thread, and of which the pattern is composed of delicate and fine black velvet to wear on the neck; broader lace of the same kind is to trim bonnets (which are "coming in" again), short sleeves, &c. For some little time to come, this new fashion, made with real stones, will be accounted a charming novelty. It will then be lavishly imitated in coloured glass, which is common, and will be given up by the "leaders" of fashion.

The prevailing passion for reproductions of the styles and usages of other days has just been shown in the arrangement of the *corbelle* of a bride of high rank, who is about to marry the wearer of a coronet that was from the Crusades. Instead of the handsome box which usually contains the elegant wedding gifts offered by the bridegroom to the bride, the splendid collection in question was placed in an immensely large, handsomely covered basket, of the style in vogue on such occasions under Louis XV., a beautiful specimen of oakwork, richly gilt, and inlaid with mother-of-pearl. According to the fashion of the time of Louis XV., there were neither jewels nor any sort of wrappings in this splendid basket. A magnificent diamond necklace was folded into a fairy-like scarf of Alençon point; a tiny watch, encased in a small, richly jewelled box, was placed on a bed of Venetian lace; ruby earrings glowed under the rich lace flounces of a ball dress; a collection of exquisite fans—one for each of the dresses—was placed in the folds of a skirt of old black Spanish gull; out buttons of various stones and styles were folded into a small, richly jewelled box, and placed in the folds of a skirt of old black Spanish gull; out buttons of various stones and styles were folded into a small, richly jewelled box, and placed in the folds of a skirt of old black Spanish gull.

The taste for the lower that is fast detroning all others, and threatens to inundate all bonnets, throats, and waistlines in the course of another fortnight, is the very smallest chrysanthemum, no matter of what colour, from the most dainty cream to the richest yellow and deepest orange, red, or purple. As this flower is a winter flower, and as the weather is so cold, it is a very small chrysanthemum, no matter of what colour, from the most dainty cream to the richest yellow and deepest orange, red, or purple.

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France to Australia; was robbed of everything he possessed on landing in the gold antipodes continent kept up his conquests until he opened a restaurant, and so cheap that he soon acquired celebrity, and was able to raise his prices, and make money. He next took over a troupe of English croqueters, and made a fortune out of the receipts at the "exhibition matches" they played in Australia. Returning to England, in 1874, he took in hand the defective railway between the Kingdom, and succeeded in improving them. His efforts have become recognized institutions, and he is several times a millionaire. His activity is still unflagging. A few years since he built the famous Criterion, and has lately assumed the management of the Holborn Viaduct Hotel.

The late Communist painter, Courbet, while a prisoner in the Sainte Pelagie prison, amused himself with painting for the decoration of his cell. On the dull yellowish wall, against which his bed stood, he depicted a woman's head, with a flower in her hair, so skilfully done that it seemed to be looking on the holder of the bed. At a few paces the illusion was complete; at the first glance it seemed as though a living woman were taking a nap. The director of the prison heard of Courbet's attempt to beautify his cell, and to inspect the mural decorations and was so much struck by his excellence that he ordered it not to be touched. After the artist's departure, however, the arrangements of the cell were modified, the position of the bed, in particular, was totally changed, so that the head on the wall was no longer set off by the juxtaposition of the couch, and, instead of looking natural, presented an almost ludicrous aspect, by being isolated on the wall. Shady remarks were made by the prisoners, and the painting, which no longer possessed its original charm, was erased.

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The Emperor's marriage with the late Carina was altogether a low-matched. His father sent him on his travels to find and secure a wife for himself. At his first stay at one of the petty German courts, he saw the young daughter of the House, fell in love with her, and looked no further; and amidst all his courtly intrigues, partly explained by the Emperor's ill-health and severe religious notions, has always held her in the greatest esteem and affection.

One evening, the Emperor, whose heart happened, just then, to be vacant, went to a ball, where he saw a daughter of a Princess Dolgorouki, who was making her way in the fashionable world of St. Petersburg, a young girl of one of the innumerable Princesses of that name, who had just died, poor poor, his daughter having been brought up at an educational school for poor nobles—a class very numerous in Russia, as all the children of a noble have the title of their family, so that, in the course of a few generations, the representatives of any given title could be counted by the score. The Emperor looked at the charming young girl, and lost his heart then and there. The young lady dropped her fan; the Emperor suddenly sprang forward and picked it up; and all present understood that a "rising sun" was among them, and, indeed, that either in paying homage to the new luminary.

The Emperor explained to the young lady that she reminded him strangely of his wife as she was when he first saw her, and his Majesty felt compelled to call upon her every day, as a delicate compliment to his wife. The young lady was staying at the house of a friend, who tried to put a stop to these sentimental philanderings. The Emperor thereupon gave to his new lady-love a house and establishment of her own. This lasted for some years; but, when a numerous family had sprung up, he removed her to a magnificent suite of apartments in the Winter Palace, exactly such as his own rooms. The people of the court, however, were not so easily satisfied. The Emperor, however, was not so easily satisfied. The Emperor, however, was not so easily satisfied. The Emperor, however, was not so easily satisfied.

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